

*FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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OUR FIRST 200 YEARS OF MINISTRY
JANUARY 15, 2023*



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SEVENTY FIVE YEARS
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200TH ANNIVERSARY 2022



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, January 15, 2023 – 10:30 AM
Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements-Thank you for joining us for this morning's worship service. We are glad to have you here! If this is your first time visiting with us, please fill out a visitor's form, found in the back of most pews. We would be pleased to add you to our email list, too. Welcome!

Prelude "Prayer" Guilmant

Choral Call to Worship

Invocation

Hymn 263 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession-followed by a time for silent confession and prayer

Like the early disciples, we are curious about this Jesus, this Son of God. We may be tempted to stay away, for we know we are not worthy of him. But Jesus does not care about worth, wealth and power. Jesus seeks those who would follow honestly, willing to face their failures in order to grow closer to God. In that spirit, let us turn to Christ.

God of the ages, we do not always wait with patience. We do not always sing your praises. We do not always recognize your work in our lives. We would rather take the credit for ourselves. We would rather take the easy way out. We would rather step on others if it means more for ourselves. Forgive us for all the ways we forget you. Help us to delight to do your will. Help us to trust in you and return us to the path of righteousness.

Assurance of God's Grace

The Lamb of God takes away the sins of the world.
The Lamb of God takes away the sins of each and every one of us.

**Christ has mercy on us, forgiving all our sins.
Alleluia!**

Response "Gloria Patri" Hymn 581

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings (QR code is located on the back page for your convenience)

Offertory Anthem "I Believe This Is Jesus" Loonis McGlohon

I believe this is Jesus. Come and see, come and see. Oh, I believe this is Jesus. Come and see, come and see. The light of God shines in His face, come and see, come and see. He offers all His pard'ning grace. Come and see, come and see. I believe this is Jesus. Come and see, come and see. I believe this is Jesus. Come and see, come and see. The love of God shines in His eyes. Come and see, come and see. He tells of mansions in the skies. Come and see, come and see. I believe this is Jesus. Come and see, come and see. Oh, I believe this is Jesus. Come and see, come and see.

Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts; as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

First Lesson		Isaiah 49: 1-7 (page 629)
Hymn 458	"Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet"	
Second Lesson		1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (page 991)
Sermon	"Chosen for Greatness"	Rev. Steve Frazier
Hymn 853	"We Are Marching in the Light of God"	
Benediction		
Postlude	"Rigaudon"	Campra

Church Staff

Steve Frazier – Covenant Pastor
Edna Broadhurst – Director of Music
Gabrielle Goodrich – Secretary

There is an urgent need for additional FPC volunteers to be on hand between 3:30-5:00 pm on Sundays. Most weeks, it simply requires someone willing to be on-site, greet the partner church volunteers who have prepared and will serve the meal, then locking up afterward (including the Courtyard). At least 1 (and often 3) FPC veterans are there each week, too. We're all in this together! Anyone interested in knowing more, please see Oralie Wilhite, Mary Ann Taylor or Sue Fay.

Week of January 15- Prayers of the People

- Kerry Westerwick
- Frances Hasty
- Paul Butler
- Lane Pittman
- Becky Kullman (Alyssa Furman's Grandmother)
- Rusty and Iris Vann (Matthew Goodrich's Grandparents)
- Mae Holoman
- Robert Norfleet
- Emily Bond
- Monica Manley
- Those who have COVID

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

7 David Turner
17 Carl Rhodes, Jr.
18 Brantley Aliff
26 Sylvie Joyner
27 Kay Kidd
27 Kerry Westerwick
31 Kelsey Smith
31 Abbey Taylor

Sunday, January 22, 2023, we will be installing Michael Broadhurst and Diane Griffin and ordaining and installing Michele Graupmann to the session. We will also be thanking our current elders who have served their three-year term: Todd Taylor, Sue Fay, and Kim McCormick. The message next week is titled “No Divisional Championship” and comes from Isaiah 9:1-4 and 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Update on The Rev Dr. Kerry Knox Westerwick, Pastor of FPC from 2010 to 2015

Kerry has had some turmoil in her life in the last couple of years: In February 2021, she was diagnosed with lung cancer and subsequently had one lung completely removed. In July 2021, her husband, Barry, was found on their front porch in Florida – suddenly deceased. Early in 2022, Kerry’s cancer had returned to her remaining lung and metastasized to other organs. On 12 23 2022, I received a note from Kerry saying that she is now receiving in-home hospice care with a prognosis of maybe 6 months before the end. She confided that she does not think it will be that long. Kerry said she is too weak to engage in telephone conversations, but she does welcome texting and written notes. Her telephone # (texting only) is 757 275 4676, Her mailing address is: 575 West River Road, Wewahitchka, FL 32465-4536. May God have mercy on her body and soul and give her comfort and peace.



Our **Peace, Love, and a Bag of Chips** (PLBC) mission thanks YOU for your generous donations of hats, scarves, and gloves! We are still in need of socks and t-shirts. Please place your donations in the wagon by the courtyard entrance. Thank you!

“I needed clothes and you clothed me.” Matthew 25:36



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